and (b) Consequent to the abolition of tariff values, polyester yarns including texturised yarn are now charged to basic excise duty on the basic of assessable value determined under section 4 of the Central Excises and Salt Act, 1944. Yarns of different denierages command different prices, and these prices vary from time to time. The incidence of excise duty thereon and of the additional burden, if any, will depend on to what extent their value under section 4 differs from the earlier tariff values. As their prices keep changing, it is not possible to confirm whether there will be any additional burden.

As regards twisted and dyed yarn, excise duty is payable by integrated units on their assessable value. The prices of twisted and dyed yarn depend on many factors. The central excise duty is only one of them. It is, therefore, not possible to quantify the effect of excise duty incidence on their prices.

(c) Representations from various associations regarding the difficulties faced by the integrated producers have been received. These are under examination.

Clearance for Power Projects

2087. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether all clearances have been obtained for the Sindol, Hirakud B, Chiplima B and Talcher Power Projects;

(b) whether the project authorities have taken into consideration the grievances of the people; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA BEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) Detailed Project Reports for Sindol, Hirakud B and Chiplima B H.E. Projects have been received in the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) for accord of techno-economic clearance. These projects are yet to be cleared by the Ministry of Environment and Forest. For the Talchar Thermal Power Project Stage-II clearance from the Ministry of Environment & Forest and Coal linkage is yet to be obtained.

(b) and (c) The Central Electricity Authority has informed that in compliance of Section 29 of Electricity (Supply) Act, no objections have been received from public for Hirakud B and Chiplima B Hydro Electric Projects by the project-authorities. Compliance of Section 29 in case of Sindol H.E. Project is yet to be done. For the Talcher Power Project Stage-II, representations/ objections received concerning the list of identification of substantially affected families have been taken into consideration by the project-authority, namely, the National Thermal Power Corporation.

Clearance Required for setting up of Power Plant in Private Sector

2088. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of each and every clearance required for setting up of a private sector power plant;

(b) what is the average time required for getting these clearances; and

(c) what steps are being taken to expedite the clearances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILA BEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) The various statutory and non-statutory clearances required for setting up a private power project are statement (*see* below).

(b) and (c) Since clearances depend on location and other project parameters, no time frame is normally specified. However, Ministry of Power accords all possible assistance to the Independent Power Producers in obtaining the necessary clearance.

Statement

Details of Clearances Required for Power Projects

	Statutory Clearances	Clearing Authority
1.	Cost Estimate Section 29(1)	CEA
2.	Techno-Economic Clearance	CEA
3.	Publication/Sec. 29(2)	State Government
4.	Water Availability	CWC/State Govt.
5.	SEB Clearance	SEB/State Govt.
6.	Pollution Clearance (Water & Air)	State/Central Pollution Control Board
7.	Forest Clearance	Min. of E & F/State Govt.
8.	Environmental Clearance	Min. of E & F/State Govt.
9.	Civil Aviation Clearance for Chimney Height	National Airport Authority
10.	Company Registration	Registrar of Cos.
11.	Hydel Projects	Min. of Water Resources
12.	Rehabilitation & Resettlement of displaced families by land acquisition	Min. of E & F/State Govt.
13.	Land Availability	State Govt.
14.	Fuel Linkage	Min. of Coal, Min. of Petroleum & N.G.
15.	Financing	CEA/MOP/Department of Economic Affairs/Financial Institutions.
16.	Transportation of Fuel	Min. of Coal/Petroleum & Natural Gas/Min. of Railways, Shipping & Surface Transport
17.	Foreign Investment	Foreign Investment Promotion Board/ Cabinet Committee on Foreign Investment.

Share of Textile Exports

2089. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the present share of textiles including carpets in India's exports and how does it compare with the figures of 1990-91;

(b) what steps are being taken to boost the export of these products; and

(c) what has been the effect of the social clause on the export of carpets?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) At present the share of textiles including carpets in India's total exports is around 38% as against 30% in 1990-91;

(b) In order to step up the export of textiles including carpets. Government have been taking a number of steps which include encouraging exporters to participate in buyer-seller meets, fairs and exhibitions; enabling import of capital goods at concessional duty for export production; special arrangements for duty-free import of raw materials for